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## PANAMA.

*Report from Colon—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Sanitary conditions good—Summary of smallpox and yellow fever during past eight months—Mortality, month of September, 1906.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Mohr reports, October 3, as follows:

Week ended October 2, 1906. Vessels cleared for ports in the United States and granted bills of health as follows:

German steamship *Prinz Eitel Friedrich*, for New York, via Kingston, Jamaica, September 22, with 114 crew and 83 passengers.

U. S. S. *Columbia*, for a United States port, via Cartagena, September 22, with 400 crew and 8 passengers.

American steamship *Panama*, for New York, September 29, with 101 crew and 86 passengers.

British steamship *Floridian*, for New Orleans, via Kingston, Jamaica, September 26, with 44 crew and 96 passengers; holds and living quarters fumigated.

American steamship *Allianca*, for New York, September 29, with 69 crew and 39 passengers.

Norwegian steamship *Trold*, for a United States port, via Cuba, September 29, with 25 crew and no passengers; holds and living quarters fumigated.

German steamship *Venetia*, for New York, via Kingston, Jamaica, October 1, with 87 crew and 66 passengers.

Italian steamship *Venezuela*, for Ponce, P. R., via South American ports, October 1, with 106 crew and 59 passengers.

Norwegian steamship *Solstad* for a port in the United States, via Jamaica, October 2, with 19 crew and no passengers; holds and living quarters fumigated.

The sanitary conditions in and about Colon may be considered as fairly good. Of quarantinable diseases only 1 case of yellow fever and 39 cases of smallpox have been reported during the past 8 months. A decided diminution in the rainfall in the past 3 weeks shows a marked improvement as regards malarial fever. Pneumonia continues to prevail to a considerable extent among the negroes, with a high mortality.

During the month of September there were 59 deaths reported in Colon and Cristobal from the following named causes:

Malaria, 19; pneumonia, 19; enteric, 1; tuberculosis, 2; dysentery, 2; septicemia, 1; uremia, 1; peritonitis, 1; diarrhea, 1; abscess of liver, 1; nephritis, 1; dropsy, 1; debility, 1; senility, 1; trauma, 1; drowned, 1; suicide, 1; unknown, 1.

*Report from Bocas del Toro, fruit port.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows:

Week ended September 29, 1906. Present officially estimated population not obtainable; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

| Date. | Vessel. | Destination. | Number of crew. | Number of passengers from this port. | Number of passengers in transit. | Pieces of baggage. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sept. 23 | Greenbrier | New Orleans | 47 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 26 | Chickahominy | do | 47 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 27 | Fort Gaines | Mobile | 24 | 0 | 0 | 0 |